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## I hope you dance

Sophie Longo and Chloe Morissette dance to the song *Skinny Love* as a part of the graduation dance for Longo. The two participated in the weekend-long Skyline Dance Studio year-end recital at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavillion. See more photos on page 5. /TIM YANO special to the *Echo*

# County's paramedics equipped for emergency medicine: Waite

JAMES MATTHEWS

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Despite the closure of the Minden Hills emergency department, Haliburton County residents won't see a drastic difference in the level of paramedic service.

And the county's dedicated, capable paramedics can provide a measure of comfort to residents on the heels of the recent major change in the region's level of medical service.

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services consolidated emergency department (ED) care to its Haliburton facility. The

consolidation meant the permanent closure of the Minden Hills ED as of June 1.

That sent panic throughout the Haliburton County community, borne of a fear at a reduction in health care services. People held well-populated public protests. A petition garnered about 25,000 signatures by people against the closure. There was

even an attempt at a legal challenge to the loss of the ED.

Tim Waite, chief paramedic and director at the Haliburton County Paramedic Service, reassures residents and summer visitors to the region that the ambulance

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# HCDC launches “The Link”

EMILY STONEHOUSE

Staff Reporter

If there's one thing that the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) knows well, it's the value of collaboration and community.

This is why their newest initiative, “The Link”, is the perfect new project for them.

Slated to open in July, The Link will be located at 5152 County Road 21, right beside Timber Mart in Haliburton. The facility once housed Patient News Publishing, which has recently downsized to utilize only a small portion of the building, leaving room for new initiatives in the vacant portions.

HCDC saw this as an opportunity. “A lot of people think that all we do is provide loans,” said HCDC Executive Director Patti Tallman, “but now we will be able to offer that mentoring piece as well; escalating the business services we provide.”

The new co-working space will offer five offices and eight coworking desks, providing opportunities for cottagers and locals needing high-speed internet to rent and use on a case-by-case basis. It will also house a large meeting room, which will be available for rental from the public. “I think the meeting room will be a really valuable resource for our community,” said Heather Reid, Program & Operations Coordinator for HCDC.

The move comes at a time where HCDC and their services were feeling the need to expand. At their current location, which is housed at 235 Highland Street on the second floor, the staff were noting that the lack of accessibility was impacting their visits and clients.

HCDC also runs the Business Incubator and Coworking Space on Mountain Street, where folks could rent hot desks and access high speed internet for an affordable

price, but once again, felt as though the needs of the community were surpassing the available space.

So, it was time for a change.

But with the change came more than the Incubator and the HCDC offices melding together in one space. The HCDC team saw this as an opportunity to include more services that would benefit businesses in the community, all under one roof.

In The Link, HCDC services will be joined by the Arts Council, the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, and Haliburton County Economic Development and Tourism department satellite offices, the Business Development Bank of Canada, plus existing businesses that have been affiliated with the incubator and HCDC in the past.

“The County of Haliburton fully supports this expansion of entrepreneurial services provided by HCDC,” said County Council Warden Liz Danielsen. “The collaboration of all our community partners in economic development will be a tremendous benefit and resource to our regional economy.”

HCDC also intends to further their services for not-for-profits at the Link, including support with grant writing, funding, and strategic planning. Tallman shared that the Link will be offering workshops specifically dedicated to not-for-profits, so that their services can be offered throughout the community.

In terms of navigating the previous accessibility concerns, the team at HCDC have started working with ACM Designs to ensure that the space is safe, comfortable, and available for everyone. “We will have fully accessible spaces,” said Tallman, “including washrooms, doors, and meeting rooms.”

ACM shared that they are thrilled to be included in the creative components of the move. “My business owes its existence to the invaluable support we received from

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*The collaboration of all our community partners in economic development will be a tremendous benefit and resource to our regional economy.*

— Liz Danielsen, County Warden

HCDC over the years,” said Andria Cowan Molyneaux, Founder and Principal of ACM Designs. “When the opportunity arose to collaborate with them and lend our expertise in space planning and decor, we were thrilled.”

Tallman expressed her gratitude for ACM Designs, and also wanted to thank Steve Barry of North of Seven Custom Carpentry, and Greg Scheffee from Timber Mart, for all their support and advice throughout the process.

For those interested in booking a rentable office, meeting room, or hot desks, contact HCDC by calling us at 705-457-3555 or emailing [info@haliburtoncdc.ca](mailto:info@haliburtoncdc.ca).

“This is a great opportunity to centralize a multitude of businesses,” said Tallman, “and it really will benefit everyone.”

## Ambulance services improving

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service isn't changing. In fact, it's improving as more skills are added to a paramedic's scope of practice.

Based on the 2022 year-end report presented to county council May 24, the Haliburton County Ambulance Service responded to 4,785 calls to the Haliburton station, the base, for 58 per cent of the year's tally. The Tory Hill station received 2,588 calls for 28 per cent of the total. The fewest calls for service came to the Minden station where ambulances were dispatched 1,909 times for 21 per cent of last year's calls.

“We deploy ambulances dynamically,” Waite said. “If an ambulance is doing a call, say, in Minden, then we will move one of our other ambulances down to Minden.”

“As ambulances get utilized for calls, we keep moving the ambulances to where we anticipate where the biggest chance of the next happening. And that's the more populated areas. Minden and Haliburton are the two most populous sites, so we'll move them (ambulances) out appropriately.”

Waite said the county service is up-staffing the Minden area every weekend through the summer.

He said an extra ambulance was only made available for long weekends. An extra ambulance will be pressed into service every weekend this summer. And that's one bit of solace that can be found amid the fear and uncertainty that descended like mosquitos since the ED closure's announcement in April.

“The important thing to keep in mind is the paramedics are very well trained and have a large scope of practice,” Waite said. “Their scope of practice has been increasing substantially over the last 20 years and exponentially, probably, over the last five years.”

“They have a scope of practice that includes 20 medications for treatment of breathing issues, anaphylaxis, one medication to be used in emergency child birth. For traumatic patients, we have the ability to start IVs to offer fluid bolus if there's internal bleeding and their blood pressure is low.”

Basically and except for the presence of a physician, the back of an ambulance can be likened to a mobile ED.

“We're equipped very well,” he said. “When we arrive at the scene, treatment starts. Treatment and stabilization starts at the scene and then transport to the hospital for further care.”

Waite said throughout the brouhaha that erupted with the ED closure, there's been no change in the level of emergency medical service from his crews.

“We continue to staff four fully staffed ambulances during the day time and three fully staffed ambulances at night,” he said. “There's the 24-hour, seven-days a week ambulance in Minden, Haliburton, and Tory Hill. And we have a fourth ambulance for peak time that we deploy over to Algonquin Highlands area.”

Waite said he believes residents and visitors to the area aren't going to notice any difference in response times.

“The main difference will be that some patients that would have in the past been transported to the Minden site will now be transported to the Haliburton site which represents, maybe, a 15- or 20-minute longer ambulance transport,” he said.

“Keep in mind that there's lots of residents in Haliburton County that their normal ambulance transport time to the Haliburton site may be 45 minutes or more, depending on where they live,” he said.

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# New locations for two of three farmers' markets

CHRIS DROST

Staff Reporter

Residents and visitors to Haliburton County are already enjoying having three amazing farmers' markets to choose from on three separate days of the week.

The Haliburton County Farmers' market got its start in 2009, initiated by the Local Food Coalition, an association of Haliburton residents who were advocating for increased availability of healthy locally produced food. From that meeting, a group of enthusiastic individuals including farmers, potential vendors, community activists and consumers, identified a location and the first market was planned for the following season.

This year, both the Haliburton and Stanhope market have new locations, while the one in Minden will remain the same as previous years.

"The market in Haliburton on Tuesdays from noon until 4 p.m. has moved to Rotary Park, formerly at Head Lake. It just moved over the bridge to 2 Park St. off Maple Ave./Hwy 118," explains Haliburton County Farmers Market Association manager, Lauren Phillips. The move was based on a council decision.

The Haliburton market typically has about 35 to 40 vendors selling everything from fresh produce to crafts, Syrian food, other ready to eat food, grass fed beef, pork, coffee, mushrooms, flowers, fresh seafood, microgreens starting in July, dog treats and wood-fired pizza.

The market that was previously at Stanhope, has moved to Abbey Gardens. "It will be open on Fridays from noon until 4 p.m. across from the brewery by the big event tent. You can hike trails, play some disc golf, and go to the farmers' market all at one location," says Phillips.

The Abbey Gardens location has many of the same vendors as Haliburton and Minden, but there will be some different craft and arts vendors. McLean's Berry Farm and Haliburton Highlands Brewery will also be at the market along with fresh produce and other vendors. "It is a good place to go for lunch as the Blue Bakery will be there with its popular wood-fired pizza," adds Phillips.

The Minden farmers' market will run at its traditional location on Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the corner of Prince and Milne streets. "While again, many of the vendors go between the three markets, there will be some unique ones in Minden, including a rotating guest vendor. The Minden market also includes an Artisan Market courtesy of the Minden Cultural Centre," says Phillips.

In Minden there will be local beer, honey, local fine food appetizers, dog treats, breads, baked goods, and more.

"We are still looking for a volunteer for the Minden market. Anyone interested can email me at incredible-HCFMA@gmail.com," requests Phillips.

The Haliburton and Minden locations are still looking for buskers. Please reach out to Lauren at the HCFMA email if interested.

"Support your local farmers' market," says Phillips.



The Haliburton farmers' market was in full swing on Tuesday, May 30 at its new location in Rotary Park. The previous Stanhope market has now moved to Abbey Gardens and will run on Fridays from noon until 4 p.m., while the Minden market continues at its past location at the corner of Prince and Milne streets on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. /CHRIS DROST Staff



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## Auditor delivers kudos to county for its budgeting process

JAMES MATTHEWS

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Haliburton County sails on a pretty even keel when it comes to the money that comes into its coffers and the coin that it spends.

Oscar Poloni, a managing partner at KPMG LLP, presented the draft financial statements May 24 during county council's regular meeting.

In terms of operational expenses, the county's wages and benefits, materials, and contracted services all increased in 2022 over the previous year.

"Once you look at your financial statements and you adjust them to how you budget during the year, you actually had a surplus of about \$165,000," he said.

That represents less than one per cent of the county's total revenues. And Poloni said that tells auditors three things: The county is breaking even or close to breaking even. It also says the county's budget process works well. And it demonstrates staff's ability to monitor operations to ensure a balance between revenues and expenses.

"The fact that you could get to less than one per cent total revenues, from a budget perspective, speaks well to how you do your budgets and how you do your financial management," he said.

The county's cash and investments have increased from \$11.6-million to about \$11.9-million this year. Poloni said there were a number of things that moved those numbers up and down.

"During the year, you actually had a surplus once you adjust for working capital items and non-cash items of roughly \$6.1-million from an operating perspective," he said.

That \$6.1-million was used to finance about \$9.6-million of capital additions.

"There was also about \$4.2-million of long-term debt that was issued by the county during the year for infrastructure projects," he said. "And also about \$400,000 in principle repayments on long-term debt."

"These are the major components that would move your cash balances up or down."

Poloni said the county's investments and cash balance moved about \$300,000 over the previous year.

The county's accounts payable and accrued liabilities increased by \$41,000.

Long-term debt rose by about \$3.8-million and there was about \$4.2-million in new debt for bridges and culverts capital projects. Poloni said

that's offset by about \$400,000 in principle repayment.

Speaking about reserves, Councillor Bob Carter, the mayor of Minden Hills, said the county took on about \$4.1-million in debt but the cash at the end of the year was about \$5.2-million. There were also investments that were paying zero per cent, and the debt incurred about four per cent interest.

"Should we have taken on that debt?" Carter said.

"It's really not our place to dictate policy to county council," said Poloni.

Some municipalities don't like to run up debt and so they adopt a pay as you go strategy, Poloni said.

"Personally, I can understand why councils would do that," he said. "I don't necessarily suggest that approach. What it requires you to do is to accumulate significant deferrals in your capital program."

That means the service level standards start to drop.

Bridges are long-term assets for the county and, once the investment is made in them, the benefits of a bridge would be reaped for many years, he said.

"This isn't a pickup truck that you're using for seven years," Poloni said. "So some people would suggest that debt financing in these situations is actually appropriate."

He offered two reasons for why debt financing is acceptable.

It allows the county to take on an infrastructure project that it wouldn't be able to otherwise. And, by using debt, the costs of the bridge could be spread over multiple generations.

"Future users of the asset have a portion of the cost to bear as well because you've spread the repayment of the debt over time," Poloni said.

However, he said, the upper tier council has less reserve money per household than councils of the four lower tier municipalities. That would hamstring county council taking the pay as you go approach to funding infrastructure projects, he said.

Michael Rutter, the county's clerk and CAO, said council drew significantly on the county's reserve funds this year through the course of inking its operational and capital budget.

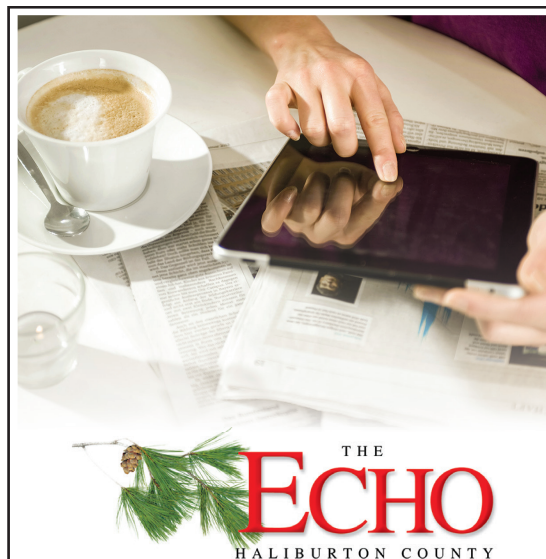
The reserve tally in 2024 will be about half what it was before this year's budget, Rutter said.

"Those reserves have been utilized," he said.

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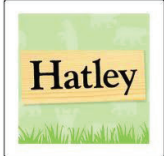
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The Level One competitive ballet class dances to *Dance of the Little Swans*.



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## Long live the arts

**I**F I HAD to name one thing I regret most when I was in public school, it would be not attending TLAC.

TLAC (Trillium Lakelands Arts Camp) is a week-long program held at Camp White Pine in Haliburton for TLDSB students in Grades 7 to 12 to “receive specialized instruction from exceptional professionals” in the arts.

This year, nearly 300 students attended, and many others were placed on a waiting list because of the popularity of the program.

Beth Wilson, a TLDSB teacher who has been involved with TLAC for many years, said, “The arts is a common bond that all of the kids can participate in and feel good. There’s a vulnerable piece that comes out and resilience comes in, too, when they’re willing to explore that side of themselves and show it in front of everyone, and at the same time, feel very accepted.”

Like most high school events, I was a little nervous before I arrived on the Wednesday of camp week to take photos.

It’s the lingering feeling from my high school days of feeling pressure and nerves.

I think that’s why I was always too afraid to attend TLAC when I was a kid.

As soon as I arrived, all fears went away.

Every single person there was beyond welcoming and so happy to be there.

“This is the place where kids get to be themselves for a whole week; their real, true selves,” said Brian Andreasen. “They are 100 per cent supported by every person here. That’s how important it is. So many kids are shells of themselves in high school trying to survive peer pressure and life pressures and parental pressures. They come here and they get to be themselves for an entire week.

Every person is celebrated here.”

This is exactly what I saw.

I got to watch kids participate in activities like volleyball, gaga ball, musical theatre, band, and pottery. I even got invited to stay for lunch and watch the performances.

For a place that I had never been to before, I sure felt at home right away. And you can tell all of the students felt that way, too.

Those involved in the band elective performed before lunch was served, and the walls were shaking from applause afterwards.

“They shyness at the beginning to uber confidence when they leave is just an amazing piece. The idea is that they take that home with them too. They’re trying things here and they can take that home and spread the word to get more involved, and hopefully get them involved in programs at their own school,” said Wilson.

She said with the band playing at lunch, it might inspire other kids to want to get involved in a music program at their own school.

I was only there for a few hours that day, but I certainly didn’t want to leave. I’m sure there were many sad faces boarding buses when it ended.

While these students were packing up their bags after an inspiring and encouraging week on Friday, May 26, college students were walking across the stage at Fleming’s Haliburton School of Art + Design to receive their diplomas and certificates for programs ranging from glassblowing to blacksmithing.

The big red doors outside the college read, “Within these walls, the walls within disappear,” and I think the same phrase can be said within the gates of Camp White Pine during TLAC.



vivian collings

## Editorial



A swallowtail butterfly perches on fresh lilac blossoms. /DAVID ZILSTRA Staff

## The still point

**O**UR MINDS are often spinning a million miles an hour at the best of times. So many thoughts about the state of health care, the environment, education, raising children, homelessness, caring for aging parents etc. It is a lot. Sometimes it can be overwhelming.

When a person receives a cancer diagnosis, I can only imagine how the spinning thoughts increase and start to include thoughts about treatments, surgery, appointments, waiting rooms, medication, fear of the unknown, anger, and all kinds of concerns about family, friends, and work. The mind is like the wheel on the bicycle. It just keeps on spinning. I am currently taking a course where we talk about the “still point” at the centre of the spinning. The “still point” sits at the centre of each one of us. Many of us don’t even think about the “still point” and in my experience I have found it takes some time and practice to access it. When we are sick or injured we tend to identify so much with our physical body and we often forget our quiet centre, the inner teacher, the secret beauty. Our true selves.

The Abbey Retreat Centre [ARC] exists for people with cancer and their caregiver to contact, get to know and even rest into the “still point.” ARC does this through providing online and in person retreats that give the participants the chance to be in nature and beauty, to be nourished with really good food, to experience gentle bodywork and yoga and to do some really cool expressive arts activities.

Participants connect to others and know that they are not alone. They get to rest and be looked after and slow down. They get to be loved.

ARC subsidizes people for 100 per cent of the cost. Participants don’t have to organize or worry about anything. They are fully taken care of and what a gift that must be after spending months and maybe years paying attention to the spinning wheels. ARC accepts donations to run their programs. They also run a fundraising event that I am participating in this summer.

In its fourth year, the Haliburton Highlands Challenge [HHC] asks teams and individuals to get active and move to support ARC and the participants.

Every team or person makes up their own challenge and then seeks out donations. The team I am on is called “After Coffee or Tea”, and our idea is that after our morning

“cuppa” we will head out and be active. We all have different goals, and I will share more as we get closer to the starting date of July 1.

ARC needs people to donate to these teams, or to join a team or create one. There are lots of ways to get involved. I have had so many friends who have had cancer in my lifetime. Breast, liver, prostate pancreatic, ovarian, colon, brain, foot, skin, lung and bone cancer. I have watched these friends spin and be in the “still spot.”

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## Taking it on the chin

**L**AST WEEK I discovered what the word nuance means in real life. Which is good because for the longest time, I thought it was the feminine version of nu-uncle.

My education began when I started feeling like I was missing my chin. Before you panic, I was not actually missing my chin. Oh, it was still there. I just hadn't seen it in a while because of my beard.

This thought reminded me it was time to do my annual chinventory, a process that requires me to shave my beard off in order to expose my chin to daylight once again and ensure that it is still there and in good working condition.

And, after a quick shave, I was happy to see that it was.

The thing is I decided not to shave all my facial hair off, since I was just going to grow it back anyhow. So, I left my moustache along with a stylish soul patch on, the latter just above my chin and just below my bottom lip.

In my mind, the soul patch made me look really cool – and, some, I'm sure somewhere, would say, devilishly handsome.

Unfortunately, Jenn was not in that place or that person.

In fact, when I showed her my new look, her initial reaction was, "You're kidding right?"

To be clear, this is not the nuance part.

"Mamma no like?" I replied.

This is not the way I would normally phrase it, but the soul patch clearly had a mind of its own.



steve  
galea

### Loon Tales

Jenn just looked at me and said, "No, you look you failed musketeer training camp!"

"Awesome, that's the look I was going for!" I yelled.

"Well, it's not a good one," she continued, with even less nuance. "If you had a top hat and tails, you would look like a politician from 1930s Germany."

"What was so wrong with 1930s Ger.... Oh, never mind," I said.

She then continued to wince every time she looked at my face, until I finally decided to shave some more.

I returned with just a moustache that, with the addition of mirrored sunglasses, would have made me look just like a short motorcycle cop.

"How about now?" I said.

She sighed heavily – and not in a good way.

The next day, I had already implemented the facial hair grow back program.

Yet, when I walked into town, people I knew immediately noticed.

So did I. Mostly, I noticed that the universal reaction was a subdued and quiet "Oh... that's different." This was followed by a quick averting of eyes.

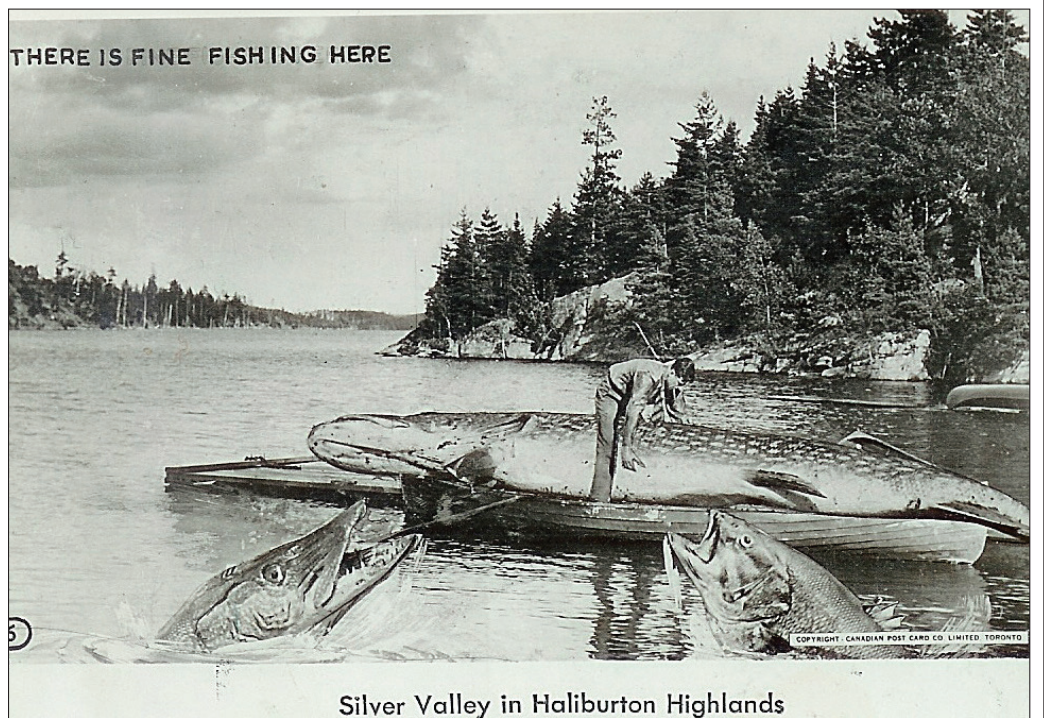
Not one person said my new look was nice, or even asked if I was going to write them a speeding ticket. They just said it was "different."

Which in this case was clearly not a vote of confidence.

And that, my friends, is nuance. I actually had to read between the lines and the look of discomfort on their faces, to understand that.

There is a silver lining, however. My friends, family and associates didn't want to say what they truly felt for fear of hurting my feeling with their honest opinions. Instead, they opted to find a nice way to say they preferred my old look.

I understand exactly what they were trying to say and I agree. The soul patch was truly marvellous.



Silver Valley in Haliburton Highlands

## pic of the past

Clayton and Herina's hospitality, a box of cracker jack popcorn for a dime and amusing fishing post cards are all fondly remembered. /Submitted

## letters to the editor

# Disappointed in Ec. Dev. strategy

### To the Editor,

As a lifetime resident of Haliburton County I am very disappointed with the accepted County of Haliburton Economic Development Strategy. I believe that as a guide to assist the community as to what sectors of business have untapped opportunities, it fails.

As a farmer/forest worker, I put effort into trying to be available and communicate with members of the research team. They appear to not know the adage, lies, and statistics. Checking the statistics for Haliburton County regarding agriculture and forestry, they do not look good. An Economic Development Plan should factor issues internal and outside our community that allow for economic opportunities, locally.

Since settlement, Haliburton County has been a source for timber and wood manufacturing. Review the books written about this community. Walk through the community museums, see the art installations, the Hawk Lake log chute that acknowledge our past. There are still operating multi-generational forestry businesses, MW Hunter sawmill in Gooderham and JAC Kernohan Construction indicated by the stored logs.

On May 13, Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve Ltd., the largest hardwood forest products processor in Ontario, hosted their Research Day. It had fourteen 20-minute presentations on research pertinent to forest environment and wood product

processing. Speakers were from four different university campuses in Canada, in addition to Haliburton. Some of those listening were from Indonesia, France and Germany.

The April 18 edition of Farmers Forum, a provincial agricultural paper has a headline, "Maple syrup, a new growth market: If only Ontario knew" the story can be read at <https://farmers-forum.com/maple-syrup-a-new-growth-market-if-only-ontario-knew>

Haliburton County has a prominent place in this story.

We still have forests. We also have inherited and learned knowledge of how to balance the interests of sharing our landscape and water, better with plants, animals and people.

So as a resident of Haliburton County I am very disappointed that councils policy decisions will be guided by a document that ignores significant community opportunities for agriculture and forestry.

It is past time that the County of Haliburton forms a natural resource committee that will include agriculture and forestry. This is needed to ensure the fuller awareness of what is happening in the community.

Godfrey Tyler  
Waverley Brook Farm  
Donald

Letters to the Editor note: Submissions are subject to editing for newspaper style and punctuation.



## Great guitars in Haliburton

Award-winning singer songwriter Rob Lutes performed with Rob MacDonald at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton on Saturday June 3. Montreal-based Lutes played various songs from his latest 2021 album. Lutes and MacDonald have been performing together for over a decade. /ADAM FRISK special to the Echo



## Take precautions to avoid ticks

CHRIS DROST

Staff Reporter

They are lurking on the forest floor, in the long grass or on the bushes you brush up against on your walk. Ticks, those nasty little creatures that latch on to you or your pet, continue to be a problem throughout the region.

"The number of ticks is about the same or maybe busier than previous years, especially in the last two weeks," says Jim Keating, public health inspector at the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge

Health Unit.

The most common type is the black-legged tick. This is the one that can spread Lyme disease.

"The HKPR Health Unit does active surveillance for ticks. We do tick dragging in the spring and fall by dragging an area and sending it off for testing to see if the ticks collected are carrying the bacteria for Lyme disease.

"We see Lyme disease on occasion. The incidence has increased a bit in people over the past few years. We don't track pets. Lyme disease is a reportable disease," adds Keating.

A reportable disease means that physicians diagnosing someone with Lyme disease must report it to the health unit.

Ticks are members of the arachnid family and are unable to jump or fly. They survive by attaching themselves to a host, which could be a mammal or birds, and feed on their blood. Most are about three to five millimeters in length but can expand significantly after becoming engorged with blood.

While there are several species of ticks in Ontario, it is the black-legged tick, or deer tick, that carries the *Borrelia burgdorferi* bacterium that if transmitted to humans, may cause Lyme disease.

According to the HKPR health unit website, Lyme disease is a potentially serious disease. In 2020, there were 5.7 confirmed cases of Lyme disease per 100,000 people in Ontario and cases have been on the rise for several years. Approximately 70 per cent of all cases are reported from June through August.

Symptoms of Lyme disease can include a ring-like rash that expands outward from the bite and flu-like symptoms such as a fever, headache, muscle and joint pain and fatigue.

According to HKPR health unit, the more environmentally friendly recommended ways for avoiding black-legged ticks are to wear light-coloured clothing, making it easier to spot ticks, and wear closed shoes and socks and long sleeve shirt tucked into long pants. Also, tuck your pants into your socks. An insect repellent containing DEET or icaridin can be used on clothing or exposed skin but be sure to follow the manufacturer's instructions.

Be sure to check your entire body for ticks after being in the outdoors. This includes paying special attention to the groin area, belly button, armpits, head, and behind the ears. If you don't have someone to check your back for you, try using a mirror.

Having a shower immediately following a hike can help wash off any ticks that may be on you. You can also kill any ticks that might still be on your clothing by putting them in a dryer on high heat for at least 10 minutes.

It is important to remember that not every tick carries a disease. If you find one attached to your skin, do not panic. Do not rip it off or try to smother it with Vaseline, as this will not help. Instead, use fine-tipped tweezers or a tick pick and firmly grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible. Gently, pull away from the skin. The objective is to get the entire tick out in the first attempt. If not, you may have to get the remaining tick bits out with tweezers.

If you have pets, check their skin after time outdoors and follow the same process for removing them as for people.

When asked about whether a person should report a tick bite, Keating says it depends on how long it has been attached and whether it is engorged and a rash present. If this is the case, he suggests seeing a physician to get a diagnosis. If you do have Lyme disease, the physician will report it to the health unit.

"If you go to the doctor with a tick attached, the doctor may prescribe an antibiotic to prevent it becoming Lyme disease," explains Keating.

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**27th Annual Meeting of  
Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation  
Thursday, June 22, 2023  
2:00 p.m.**

Meeting Agenda - Business of the Corporation:  
Reports of the CEO and Board, Chief of Staff, Auditor,  
Foundation, Nominating Committee, Election of Directors, and  
Appointment of Auditors

The 27th Annual Meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation (HHHS) will be held as a virtual meeting conducted through the Zoom application. In order to participate, Corporation members and members of the public who wish to attend will require an invitation, which will provide further information on how to participate. Cut-off for registration is June 16, 2023.

For further information or to arrange for an invitation, please contact:

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# Centre for Making re-opens to the public

CHRIS DROST

Staff Reporter

The Centre for Making at the Haliburton School of Art and Design: Fleming College, has now re-opened to the public after being restricted during the COVID-19 protocols.

The Centre for Making first opened in 2016 with funding support provided by the Haliburton County Development Corporation. The objective was to create a space that would be part of the community network.

Individuals and small business owners are welcome to use the variety of specialized equipment in the Centre for Making for anything from making unique gifts, to signage, to developing small business ideas.

Scott Walling, technician for the Centre, took time to explain the many different pieces of equipment that are available to use. Walling is there to help people get their projects underway and to demonstrate the use of the equipment. There is a set up charge for each piece of equipment and an hourly rate for Walling's assistance. There are special prices for full-time students and faculty.

"We can provide materials at a cost, or people can bring their own. We actually prefer that, so we do not have to stock so many materials," explains Walling.

The equipment on site includes a Makerbot PLA 3D printer, MilCraft + Resin 3D printer, CNC machine (computer navigation control), laser cutter, viny cutter, Epson photo printer, digital embroidery machine, Risograph printer, Vacuum For-



Scott Walling is the technician at the Centre for Making in the Haliburton School of Art and Design: Fleming College. The Centre has now re-opened to the public and Walling is on-hand to assist people with their projects using the long list of specialized equipment. /CHRIS DROST Staff

mer, and an industrial sewing machine.

"The most versatile machine is the laser cutter engraver. It can be used for signs, cards, stencils, and wood blocks for print making," explains Walling.

"The CNC is like a Dremel tool. It is subtractive. It takes away material while with a 3D printer, it adds material," says Walling.

Of all the equipment in the Centre for Making, Walling says that the laser is the most used. "It is very versatile. You can use it to cut fabric, metal, and wood. It is

more about making tools to further something else," he says.

When asked about the most interesting piece developed at the Centre, Walling explains that it is a miniature 3D printer that "actually works." "We had a mini print exhibit and because of this, places all over the world now have them," explains Walling.

Some of the individuals who come in to use the equipment have experience, but often they do not. Walling is always happy to assist to help people get their



Scott Walling explains some of the different pieces that have been completed at the Centre for Making. They are on display in a case outside the facility.

projects underway. He showed, with enthusiasm, samples of some of the different kinds of end results that have been created by others, or by himself, using the equipment in the space.

Anyone who is considering using the Centre for Making is encouraged to drop in on Tuesday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon or Thursdays from 2 to 5 p.m. to see the space and have a conversation with Walling about a project they have in mind. Walling can also be emailed with questions at [wallingscott@hotmail.com](mailto:wallingscott@hotmail.com).

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# Diving into summer with Deep Roots

EMILY STONEHOUSE

Staff Reporter

Summer is the time for adventure, and for Corina Mansfield of Deep Roots Adventure, she's eager to hit the ground running. "I would love to see more local residents, whether seasonal or year round, excited to find new things to explore in their own backyard and enjoying what there is on offer here!" she told the Echo, as she prepares for her full season ahead.

Mansfield is the owner and operator of Deep Roots Adventure; a year-round outdoor experience company dedicated to getting people feeling excited, confident, and happy in nature. They offer guided trips and tours, watercraft and equipment rental, and training for folks to become more competent and capable in the great outdoors.

Located at the Kingscote Outpost, right by the Algonquin South Gate in Harcourt, Mansfield shared that she feels excited about the endless opportunities in that neck of the woods. "It is worth the drive from the west side of the county to spend a day, weekend, or week at the South Gate," she said. "There are some of the most lovely walk-in campsites, paddle-in campsites and backcountry campsites that Algonquin has to offer, and without the crowds or overuse suffered by other gates."

One of Deep Roots' most popular adventures is the High Falls Paddle, Explore, and Dine. This five-hour experience will take paddlers around the York River and right up to High Falls, where a guide will set up a picnic meal from AM/PM Gourmet before heading home. Mansfield said that this adventure is great for all ages, and offers a unique and memorable opportunity to see what she believes is "one of the most beautiful areas of the county."

Mansfield runs Deep Roots with one goal in mind: to make people feel more comfortable in the outdoors. And that's her primary takeaway when it comes to her programming. "The biggest thing we want people to experience when they enjoy a product or service from Deep Roots Adventure is a feeling of really being taken care of," she said. "We want people to come to our workshops to learn awesome outdoor skills and to leave vibrating with a feeling of empowerment and a desire to learn more."

While the South Gate may seem like a bit of a trek from the downtown cores of the community, Mansfield encouraged locals and visitors alike to make the trip. She shared that herself and her neighbouring experience, accommodation, and dining providers consistently work in collaboration to make that neck of the woods a unique and accessible destination for all ages, interests, and abilities.



Photo submitted

"They say you can't deliver all three points of the triangle – great service, high quality, and a good price, but I strive to do that," she said, "because I think people deserve to have the best."

The Kingscote Outpost also houses a collection of outdoor adventure products, clothing, and gear, so visitors can stock up on all their needs before they head out.

Deep Roots Adventure officially opened the Outpost for the season over the May Long Weekend, and will be open regularly until Thanksgiving. For information about rentals, tours, and additional experiences, visit [www.deeprootsadventure.com](http://www.deeprootsadventure.com) or follow them on social media.

"We are excited for a great year at the South Gate,"

said Mansfield, "hope to see lots of familiar faces and to meet many new people!"

## Telling our stories

The Speakers Series is delighted to welcome Michael Hill, Liz Scott and Thom Lambert who will be joining us on Wednesday, June 14 to share their stories and images of the Mariposa Folk Festival, Canada's legendary music festival that started in 1961. Michael Hill, former artistic director will reflect upon what has been and Liz Scott, current artistic director and no stranger to the Haliburton Highlands, will provide a contemporary perspective and a peek at what the future holds. Thom Lambert, a local musician who has attended the Festival many times will share his experience as an attendee and maybe even play a tune or two. The presentation is held at the Fish Hatchery on County Road #1 and begins at 7 p.m.

The Speakers Series admission is \$15/person. As is the custom, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to a local not-for-profit organization. These monthly talks are very well attended. To reserve a seat, please call 705-457-7557 or email [info@yoursoutdoors.ca](mailto:info@yoursoutdoors.ca)

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## Wind Symphony returns

The Spring Concert of the Highlands Wind Symphony will delight audiences this Sunday, June 11, 2 p.m. at Lakeside Church on Park St in Haliburton.

"There's a toe-tapping variety of music to suit every taste," says conductor Glen Carter.

Tickets (\$15 Adult or \$30 Family) are available at Master's Book Store in Haliburton or at Pharmasave Minden. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

This is a two-hour program of popular tunes performed by local musicians with musicians Glen Carter, Lori Reddering and Dan Manley sharing the conducting duties.

Included in the concert, is a set by the Highlands Swing Band conducted by Maggie Thomson and featuring vocalist Jerelyn Craden.

The Wind Symphony presents two concerts a year: Christmas and Springtime – so don't miss this opportunity! For more information or to reserve tickets, call or text Hugh at 705 457-7894.

Submitted

# EXPLORE

## Volunteering

### #MY Haliburton HIGHLANDS

#### VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT FAIR

#### Engage in your Community

Volunteerism is the backbone of the Haliburton Highlands and numerous organizations rely on volunteers to provide services and events throughout the county. Engage in your community by sharing your time, energy, skills and passion.

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# HALIBURTON COUNTY FAIR

AT MINDEN FAIRGROUNDS

**Saturday  
June 10<sup>th</sup>  
2023**

PRESENTED BY THE MINDEN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY SINCE 1864

## SCHEDULE OF *Events*

9 am: Fairgrounds open  
9 am: Vendors, artisans, demonstrations  
10 am - 2 pm: Re/Max Balloon Rides Weather Permitting  
10:30: Opening ceremonies with dignitaries and fair board executives  
Noon - 3 pm: Zoo to You  
3:30 pm: Horse Pull  
All Day: Classic & Antique Car Show  
All Day: Kids Pony Rides  
All Day: CURLING CLUB:  
exhibits, tea room, baked goods,  
demonstrations, woodworking and much more.  
All times are subject to change

## *Things to See* THROUGHOUT THE DAY

- ~ OPP, Minden Fire Department, EMS
- ~ Food Vendors - Kawartha Dairy Ice Cream
- ~ Crafts/Quilt Displays
- ~ Small Auction
- ~ Wood Processing Demonstrations
- ~ Heavy Equipment Demonstrations
- ~ 50/50 Draw (Only 3000 tickets sold)
- ~ Minden PRIDE
- ~ Haliburton Rotary Club Draw Truck Tickets Available
- ~ Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association
- ~ And much more

## *Kids & Youth* EVENTS

- ~ Bouncy Castles
- ~ Pockets the Clown (with face painting)
- ~ Dalrymple Rabbitry
- ~ Natural Resources & SMOKEY the BEAR

- ~ Kids Games
- ~ Turtle Guardians
- ~ Farmers Association Farm Animals

## *Main Stage* ENTERTAINMENT

### ★ LIVE MUSIC ★ *Boshkung Brewing Beer Tent*

11:00 - 11:30: **The Country Hot Flashes**  
11:30 - 12:00: **Louie Reynolds**  
12:00 - 12:30: **Barnard & Brohm**  
1:00 - 2:20: **The Todd Nolan Show**  
3:30 start: **Open Mic**

## *Admission*

**Adults: \$10**  
**Kids Ages 6 - 12: \$5**  
**5 & under: No Charge**  
All kids events  
included in admission

### Should I Bring Anything?

- Lawn chair(s) • Rain Jacket/Gear (Just in case)
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- 1. Small Eurasian deer
  - 4. Irish county
  - 10. A major division of geological time
  - 11. Broadway actor Lane
  - 12. Canadian province
  - 14. It causes fainting (abbr.)
  - 15. Two
  - 16. A notable one is blue
  - 18. Utter repeatedly
  - 22. Rings
  - 23. Sullies
  - 24. Occurs
  - 26. Publicity
  - 27. Near
  - 28. Tools of a trade
  - 30. Offer in good faith
  - 31. "American Idol" network
  - 34. Garments
  - 36. Soviet Socialist Republic
  - 37. Retired NFL DC Dean
  - 39. Hot meal
  - 40. A type of gin
  - 41. Percussion instrument
  - 42. A \$10 bill
  - 48. About ground
  - 50. Medicine man
  - 51. Seedless raisin
  - 52. National capital of Albania
  - 53. Appendage
  - 54. OJ trial judge
  - 55. By the way
  - 56. Bicycle parts
  - 58. Barbie's friend
  - 59. In a way, stretched
  - 60. Commercials

- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Make up for
  - 2. American songbird
  - 3. Pay
  - 4. International organization
  - 5. Engravers
  - 6. Declared as fact
  - 7. Criminal
  - 8. Jewelry
  - 9. Hospital worker (abbr.)
  - 12. Nonsense (slang)
  - 13. Town in Galilee
  - 17. Value
  - 19. Another name
  - 20. Sheep in second year before shear-ing
  - 21. Town in Surrey, England
  - 25. Appropriate during a time of year
  - 29. Creative output
  - 31. Recesses
  - 32. District in N. Germany
  - 33. Rider of Rohan
  - 35. The official emblem of the German Third Reich
  - 38. One who puts down roots
  - 41. Scribe
  - 43. Painted a bright color
  - 44. Tycoons
  - 45. Actress Thurman
  - 46. Walking accessory
  - 47. Crest of a hill
  - 49. Member of a North American people
  - 56. Type of computer
  - 57. U.S. State (abbr.)

Answers on page 16



**No place like the Home Show**  
Haliburton's annual Home and Cottage Show took place Friday, Saturday and Sunday A.J. LaRue Arena. Vendors from throughout central Ontario showcased what they had for those residing in the Haliburton Highlands. From gardening and building services to hospitality and local conservation, the Home and Cottage Show had many things to offer. Pictured above, Eagle Lake cottagers Christine Whitley and Steven Whitley pose with Sir Sam's Ski/Ride food and beverage director Owen Duhaime on Saturday. /ADAM FRISK special to the Echo



Thomas Contracting's Ashley Hunter and Rylie Sloan pose for a photo during the Home and Cottage Show on Saturday.



The Home Show welcomed visitors from all over the county, who explored over 20,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor displays at the A.J. LaRue Arena and the Haliburton Curling Club. The Home and Cottage Show is sponsored and organized by members of the Haliburton Curling Club.



# A statement from Kawartha North Family Health Team

The Kawartha North Family Health Team (KNFHT) has put forward an expression of interest to Ontario Health to receive funding for service delivery at the Minden Emergency site. The proposal is for an Urgent Care Clinic. We are aware that ideally, the site would continue to operate as an Emergency Department and we still hold out hope that this will be the case in the future; unfortunately, this is not a service we are able to apply for or deliver. In light of this, we felt strongly that the option of an Urgent care clinic would provide the best opportunity to continue to have health care services locally for the residents of Minden Hills.

As a resident of Minden Hills, myself, I realize the limitations of our resources and how stretched Healthcare providers are, especially during the busy summer season and we hope that if this proposal is approved, we would be able to alleviate some of this burden.

We have reached out to a number of our partners, community stakeholders and officials and Marg Cox, Executive Director for Point in Time had this to say "We are pleased to see this proposal for an urgent care clinic going forward, and as an agency that has worked closely with Kawartha North Family Health Team we have every confidence in their ability to build a responsive service that is so very needed in our community" We do recognize that given the urgent need and tight timelines, we were not able to reach out to everyone nor to hold community consultations. To this end, I am including a brief Q & A which I hope may answer some of the questions which would likely have been raised. Further consultation on the implementation will be forthcoming should we receive approval.

## Who is KNFHT?

KNFHT is a community-based Family Health Team serving the residents of the Northern parts of the City of Kawartha Lakes, Haliburton County and Trent Lakes. We have been operating offices in Fenelon Falls and Bobcaygeon since 2007 providing access to Primary Health Care by Nurse Practitioners, Physicians and Nursing staff. Additionally, we have operated unfunded walk-in clinics (paid for by the generous donations from local residents) since 2012.

## What are your links to Haliburton County?

We have over 500 patients from Haliburton County, and have had close partnerships with many Haliburton agencies, such as Point in Time and their Youth Wellness Hub. Operating, largely along the border between CKL and Haliburton, KNFHT and its patients have relied heavily on the services offered by the Minden Emergency Department.

## Who "manages" KNFHT?

While the daily operations are managed by the Executive Director, the governance, oversight and financial responsibility rests with a community board, which includes one existing representative from Minden Hills as well as residents from the City of Kawartha Lakes.

## Is this a step towards Privatization?

**Absolutely not!** KNFHT is a charitable non-profit agency receiving its funding for daily operations from the Ministry of Health.

## What kind of care are you proposing?

The proposed care model is an Urgent Care Clinic. Urgent care services are for people who have unexpected but non-life-threatening health concerns that usually require same-day treatment. Additionally, we are proposing some Primary Care for patients who do not currently have a primary care provider.

## Who will staff it?

Our funding request is for Nurse Practitioners and Registered Practical Nurses; however, we would love physicians to join us in the future.

## What is an NP?

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## Is this a permanent solution?

While it can be if needed, we are hoping that the service will be expanded upon if physicians become available to join and/or other agencies express an interest to partner. Additionally, we would relinquish the space to HHHS or augment their services should they wish to examine opportunities to re-open the Minden ED in future.

## Will this be 24/7?

Not at this time. We will be looking to consult with physicians and stakeholders to identify priority times, but will be limiting service to eight hours per day, 7 days per week for now. Should future opportunities present themselves, 24/7 coverage could be implemented.

## Which Community Partners are involved?

Aside from KNFHT, Haliburton County Paramedic Services Paramedicine Program and Home and Community Support Services have expressed an interest in adding services to the site at this time.

## When would the service open?

That will depend on how quickly the proposal is reviewed and whether it is approved.

## What is HHHS' involvement?

They are offering the location and access to services which will remain at the Minden site including Ultrasounds, X-Rays and Physiotherapy as well as Diabetes Education.

## Are you hiring?

We will be once we receive funding approval. KNFHT does not currently have the capacity to take this on should the funding be denied.

*Submitted by Kawartha North Family Health Team*



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT  
PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT  
TO ZONING BY-LAW 2005-120 OF THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

- **DATE:** TUESDAY, JUNE 27th, 2023
- **TIME:** 9:05 AM
- **LOCATION** TAKE NOTICE THAT THE PUBLIC MEETING FOR ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT WILL TAKE PLACE AS AN ELECTRONIC PUBLIC MEETING ONLY

Applications:

Lands of Warren  
(File No.: D14-ZB-2022-016)

- **Purpose and Effect:**

i) **Application to amend the Zoning By-law:** The proposed amending By-law would change the zoning from Rural Type 1L (RU1L) to Waterfront Residential Type 5L-XX (WR5L-XX) exception zones (retained lot) and Waterfront Residential Type 5L-XX (WR5L-XX) exception zone (severed lot) to recognize the minimum lot frontages, lot area, setbacks and intended use of the proposed severed and retained lots.

- **Location:** legally described as Part Lot 22, Concession 8, Parts 3, 4 and 6 Plan 19R5350, in the Geographic Township of Guilford, Municipality of Dysart et al.
- Proposed zoning is a condition of a concurrent severance application (File No. H-060/22) under the Planning Act for the proposed severed and retained lots.

Lands of Kanan  
(File No.: D14-ZB-2023-001)

- **Purpose and Effect:**

**Application to amend the Zoning By-law:** The proposed amending By-law would change the zoning from Waterfront Residential Type 3L (WR3L) to Waterfront Residential Type 5L-XX (WR5L-XX) exception zones (retained lot) and Waterfront Residential Type 5L-XX (WR5L-XX) to recognize the minimum lot frontages, lot area and intended use of the proposed severed and retained lots.

- **Location:** legally described as Part Lot 6, Concession 13, Part Road Allowance, Plan 19R1714, Part 1, Plan 19R5467, Part 6 in the Geographic Township of Havelock, Municipality of Dysart et al.
- Proposed zoning is a condition of a concurrent severance application (File No. H-022/22) under the Planning Act for the proposed severed and retained lots.

There will not be an in-person meeting; this meeting will be conducted in an electronic format only.

For more information about electronic meetings and public participation in an electronic meeting, contact the Municipal Clerk at [mbishop@dysartetal.ca](mailto:mbishop@dysartetal.ca).

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS MATTER INCLUDING INFORMATION ABOUT APPEAL RIGHTS:**  
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**Dated at the Township of Dysart, this 6th day of June 2023.**

Kris Orsan, CPT,  
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Municipality of Dysart et al  
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School's cool

Lawson Ramsay focuses on using the 3D pens that were provided by the Haliburton County Public Library during the Stuart Baker Elementary School Art Gala on June 1./EMILY STONEHOUSE Staff



Ellie Nimigon of Haliburton paints a flower garden on the side of the bus during the Art Gala.

Water Hero spring donation campaign launched

For more than 13 years the Haliburton, Muskoka and Kawartha Children's Water Festivals (HMKCWF) have inspired local children to take care of waters' health through fun, hands-on activities. Mostly this has been through an annual Fall Festival for elementary school children but in more recent years the group have developed online resources and Water Hero programs available for young learners and teachers, year round. Through Covid they've adapted towards also offering activities at public events.

FEEL,( Friends of Ecological and Environmental Learning ) the charity that the Children's Water Festival is the premiere program of, recently learned that a few major partners over the years, will not be able to provide funds this year. In order to host the Water Festivals planned for elementary school children in the fall, and families in the summer, the charity is launching a spring "Water Hero Donation Campaign".

Local folk who can and regional businesses are invited to join our water hero team this spring, to pool together resources for local children and waters.

Contributions to the HMK Children's Water Festival program :

- Help keep fun, outdoor water learning events available to children of the local regions; Haliburton, Muskoka and Kawartha Lakes
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- Help us share with families at public events this summer
- Support local children, their learning about life-giving water and so the health of local watersheds for future generations too

To Donate: Contributions of \$20 or more send another local student to our Fall Children's Water Festival and can receive a charitable receipt. \$450 will send a local class.

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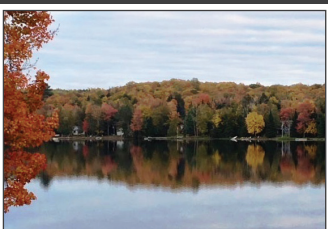
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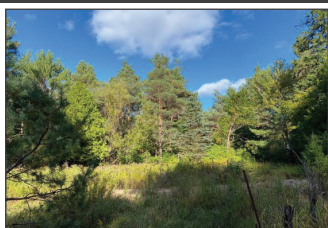
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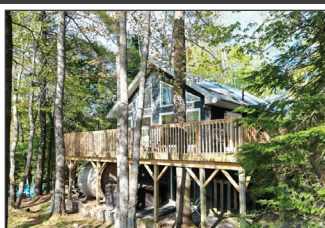
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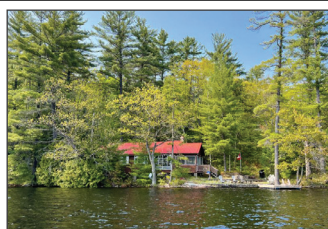
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# Red Hawks capture nine top 8 finishes at OFSAA East regionals

Backus bound for OFSAA track and field

KAREN GERVAIS

Special to the Echo

On Thursday, June 1 and Friday, June 2, in sweltering temperatures where the humidex reached 37 degrees in Ottawa, the Red Hawk Track and Field team continued to show their grit and determination at OFSAA East Regionals, one of the six meets that funnel into the OFSAA Championships. The East Regional meet brings together the winners of COSSA, EOSSA and the National

Capital Associations. Of the 15 HHSS athletes that qualified for East Regionals, Evan Backus led the team with a gold-medal finish in the Novice Boys 300m hurdles, beating the rest of the field by a half a second and bettering the previous HHSS school record set by Tom Paul in 2011 by more than two seconds with his winning time of 42.44.

Backus went on to follow up that win with a second-place run in the 100m hurdles, running a personal best of 14.87, getting edged out by the winner by only two hundredths of a second. Evan also landed a sixth-place finish in Long Jump.

The top four finishers in each event qualify for the OFSAA championships and Evan will go on to compete in both hurdle events at OFSAA, held in Ottawa again next week.

Twin brother Graham Backus also had three top 8 finishes, with 8th place in the Novice Boys Triple Jump and 200m and a 6th place run in the 400m with a strong run of 55.51. Graham marked new Personal Bests in all of these events.

Junior Girl Erika Hoare continued to shave seconds off her times in a big way. In the Open Girls 2000m Steeplechase, she knocked another 15 seconds off her COSSA time to finish seventh in 8:05. She also ran a new Personal Best by ten seconds to finish in 10th place in the 3000m with a time of 11:51.

Rounding out the top eight individual finishes was Jordanna Jennings, who launched a new best jump of 4.54m to land 6th in Novice Girls Long Jump. Jennings was

also 10th place in Javelin. The Novice Girls relay team of Jennings, Madelyn Walker, Violet Humphries and Lilly Casey had seamless exchanges to capture sixth after being seeded in ninth and shaving 1.5 seconds off their best time.

Violet Humphries finished 11th and ran personal best in the 800m in a very fast field of Novice Girls, notching the HHSS 800m record in this category by two seconds with her run of 2:37.98. She also competed in the 1500m.

Graduating runner Liah Gallant was very close to her personal best and was 12th in the 200m. Gallant had a disappointing 100m heat, her blocks slipping and messing up her start.

The Novice Boys relay team of Evan and Graham Backus, Ben McMahon and Chase Winder ran a strong heat finishing ninth, also with a season's best.

Personal Bests from Brechin Johnston in the 1500; Haiden Bird in the 300m hurdles, who also ran the 800m and Lilly Casey in the 100m. Other athletes to compete at the Regional level included Madelyn Walker, 11th in Novice Girls Long Jump, Ben McMahon in Novice Boys Shot Put and Ella Gervais who finished the 3000m at 5 p.m. on the very hot Friday.

The coaches were impressed with the outstanding performances and effort by this young team and are looking forward to the bright future of Track and Field in Haliburton. A big thank-you to community coaches Russ Duhaime and Al Hough that have donated so much of their time to helping these athletes.



### Notice (Applicant - Steinhoff)

In the matter of the Municipal Act and in the matter of a proposed By-Law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance for road along the shore of Stormy Lake, more particularly hereinafter described.

Notice Is Hereby Given, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at a virtual meeting on **Tuesday, July 11, 2023**, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 27, Concession 14, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on Plan 19R-10652 made by Bishop Geyer Surveying Inc., completed November 24, 2021.

The Plan of Survey is available to you for inspection by you making an appointment at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus. If you wish to attend the virtual meeting, please call or e-mail the Municipal Clerk prior to the day of the public meeting so you can be provided with a link or phone number for the meeting. If you do not have the capability to attend a virtual meeting, please provide written comments to the Municipal Clerk prior to the public meeting.

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Dated at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 6th day of June, 2023.

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This position includes employer paid benefits (medical, dental, vision and life insurance). Wage will be \$18/hour or more based on experience. Position is available immediately.

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- Maintain a professional appearance and demeanor at all times.

**Job Type:** Full-time with Benefits

**Work Location:** In Person

**Education:** Secondary School (preferred)

**Experience:** Retail management: 5 years (required)

## 540 COMING EVENTS

**Come visit the Boshkung Brewing booth at this weekends Haliburton County Fair Saturday June 10 at the Minden Fairgrounds.**

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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
Wednesday, June 28, 2023  
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SIRCH will be hosting its AGM at the SIRCH Bistro & Bakery, 49 Maple Avenue, Haliburton. The meeting agenda will include the Auditor's Report, Election of Directors, Appointment of Auditor.

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## 595 BIRTHDAYS



## BIRTHDAY BASH

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**When:** Saturday June 10/23  
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650 OBITUARIES



**Allen Lyons**  
(Resident of West Guilford, Ontario)

Peacefully at Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay on Thursday June 1, 2023 in his 72nd year. Predeceased by his wife Arlene Lyons (nee Mackay). Beloved son of the late Jack Lyons & Miriam Lyons - Oulette. Fondly remembered by his cousin Bill and his friends. Allen worked for the Municipality of Dysart et al for many years. He loved the Haliburton Highlands and time spent here, especially at Drag Lake Lodge with his mother Miriam and his grandparents Fred and Annie Jones.

Private Graveside Service

A Private Graveside Service will be held at a later date. As an expression of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation - Mental Health Services would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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**Edwin Hodgins**  
(Resident of Haliburton)

Peacefully at Fenelon Court in Fenelon Falls on Wednesday morning, May 31, 2023, in his 95th year. Beloved husband of the late Doreen Hodgins (nee Sholer). Loving father of Darlene (Dale McConnell), Linda (Derrick Cowen) and David. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Devan, Michelle, Johnathon and by his great grandchildren Shiloh and Xander. Predeceased by his grandson Aaron and by his brothers Percy, Leslie, Melville and Clem. Lovingly remembered by his many nieces and nephews. Ed was a truck driver for most of his life. He enjoyed golf, brandy and sherry and his coffee and donuts. Most of all, he enjoyed the time spent with family and friends.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Wednesday afternoon, June 7, 2023 for a Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior). Reception to follow in The Community Room. Interment later Evergreen Cemetery Haliburton. As an expression of sympathy, donations to the West Guilford Baptist Church would be greatly appreciated by the family. <https://www.communityfuneralhomes.com/obituary/Edwin-Hodgins>

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*In Loving Memory of*  
**Donelda "Dee" MacLean (nee Leonard)**

*Passed away suddenly at the Kingston General Hospital on Sunday, May 28, 2023, at the age of 75.*

Beloved wife of Gord, loving mother of Kara (Joe) and Amanda. Dear grandma to Evan and Leo. Dear sister of Joyce Leonard and sister-in-law to Marion (Jim) and Lee (Malcolm-deceased). Fondly remembered by Genevieve (Steve), Jonathan, Caitlan (Jason), Shawn and by her family and friends. Dee worked at Manulife Financial and retired as AVP, she and Gord then moved to the Highlands in 2005 where she enjoyed volunteering and her many hobbies including Bridge, Quilting, Curling, Golf and Travelling.

A private family graveside service will be held at St. Stephen's Cemetery, Boshkung. A Celebration of Dee's Life will be held at the Minden Curling Club, 50 Prentice St., Minden on Sunday, June 11, 2023 from 1:30 pm until 4:30 pm. There will be a Toast to Dee between 2:30 – 3:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or to the Minden Food Bank would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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■ MUNICIPAL ELECTION

## Henwood takes on Roberts for council seat

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff reporter

Voters in Haliburton village will have a choice this fall between two candidates with very diverse election platforms.

The competition for councillor of Ward 1, which encompasses part of the village of Haliburton in Dysart et al, is currently between incumbent Andrea Roberts and businessman Jim Henwood.

While both nominees have filed to fill the same seat on council, the similarities between the two individuals end there.

Roberts, who sat on council for the past three-and-a-half years, is looking to continue work on the projects the municipality has underway, as well as staying involved in the community.

"I've always been community-mind-

See **Roberts wants** page 19



### Lofty cause

Professional stunt rider Ryan Leech is caught mid-flight over Haliburton Highlands Secondary School teacher Jenn Paton, second from left, along with members of the Canadian Cancer Society's Cops for Cancer team this past Tuesday. Photo by Darren Lum.

■ HHSS

## Head secretary makes an impact

JENN WATT

Editor

In the bustling hallways of the high school, there is a place of calm where students and staff alike can find a kind face, a willing listener and a warm heart.

The desk of head secretary June Smith – or "Saint June," as principal Gary Brohman calls her – is where people go to seek solace or get a problem fixed, which is why Smith received the support staff Impact Award from the school board this year.

See **'Saint June'** page 3

## Parker jumps into deputy-reeve race

ANGELICA BLENICH

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Councillor Janis Parker has filed to run for this year's upcoming election but has her sights on representing the municipi-

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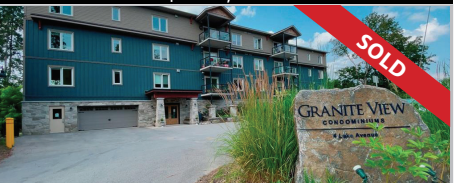
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